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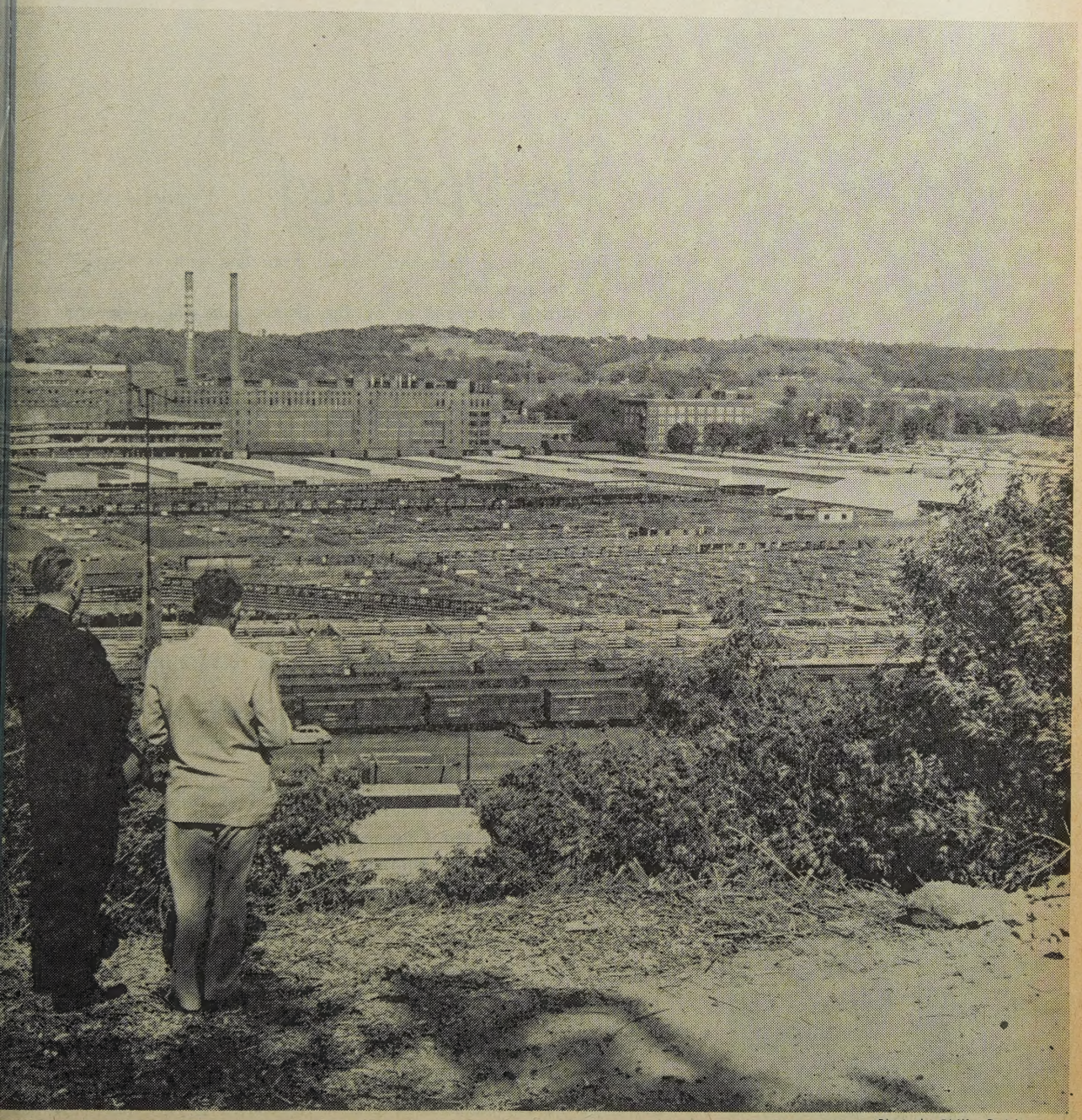

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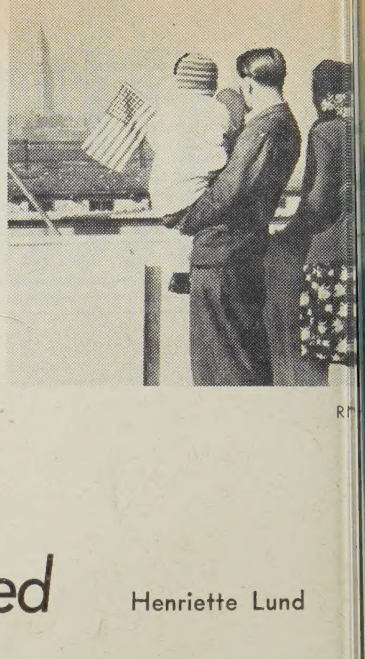

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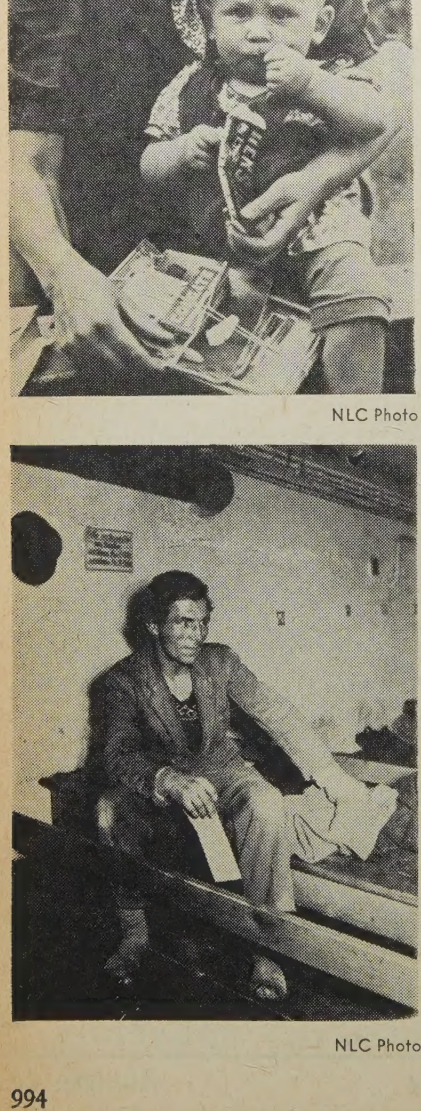

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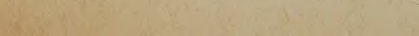
The Uprooted

Henriette Lund

Four hundred thousand people homeless and strange in a foreign land:
A throng as great as all the dwellers in one city—my native Minneapolis, let us say,
As great as all who live in twenty counties of my home state of Minnesota,
Uprooted, gave freely from their own soil, the soil of their forefathers,
Czechs, Poles, Bulgars, and many others
Huddled now with their small belongings
In Austria, herself impoverished, small in power and resources, looking with unconcealed dismay on visitors, uninvited and unwelcome.
This, my friend, we found upon our arrival there
Our small group, emissaries of the world-wide Lutheran Church,
Sent to help within our limited power to ease the burdens of the homeless
To play a role as Christ, we believe, would have us play it,
With no thought about the creed or class or rectitude of those in need of succor.
Our band was small, and Austria is only one of many lands to harbor homeless.
The heart of our Church is large and will salvage from the wreckage, humans made in God's image, near destruction by man-made wars and ruthlessness.



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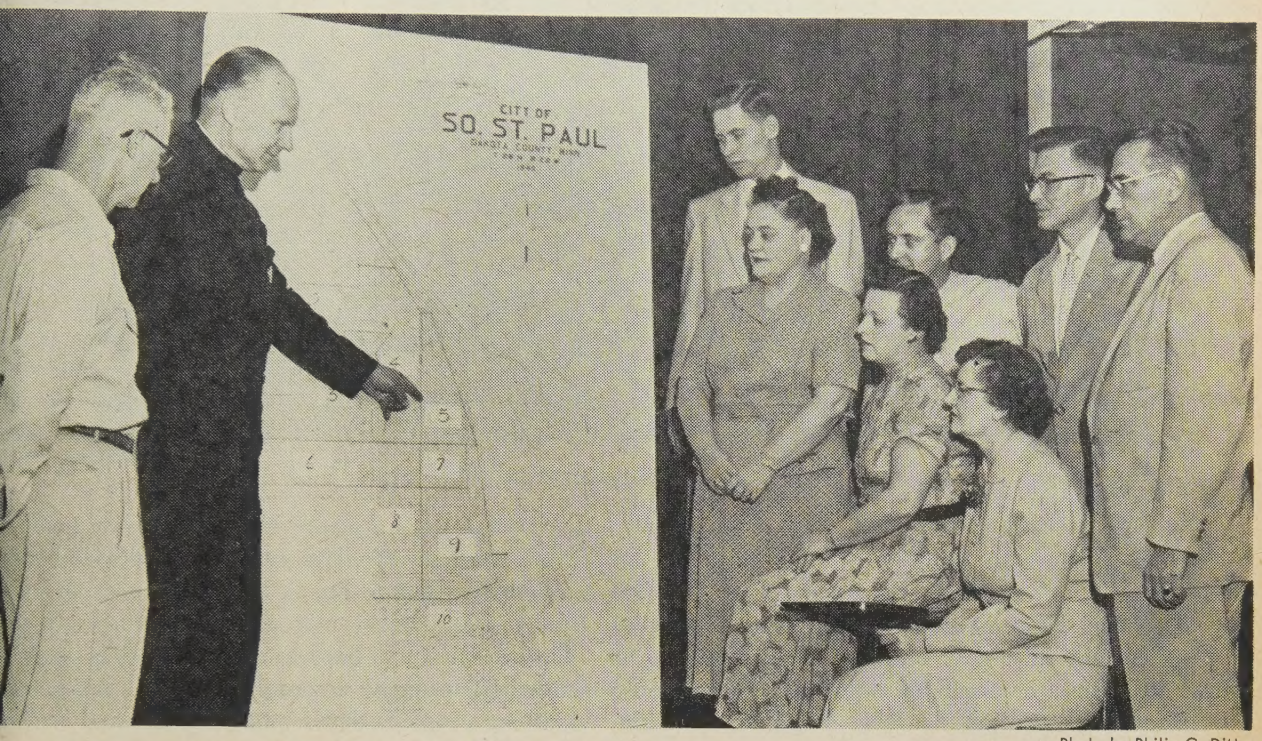

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PASTOR RINDAHL POINTS OUT NEW LOCATION FOR LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

ne Gospel Comes to "Packington"

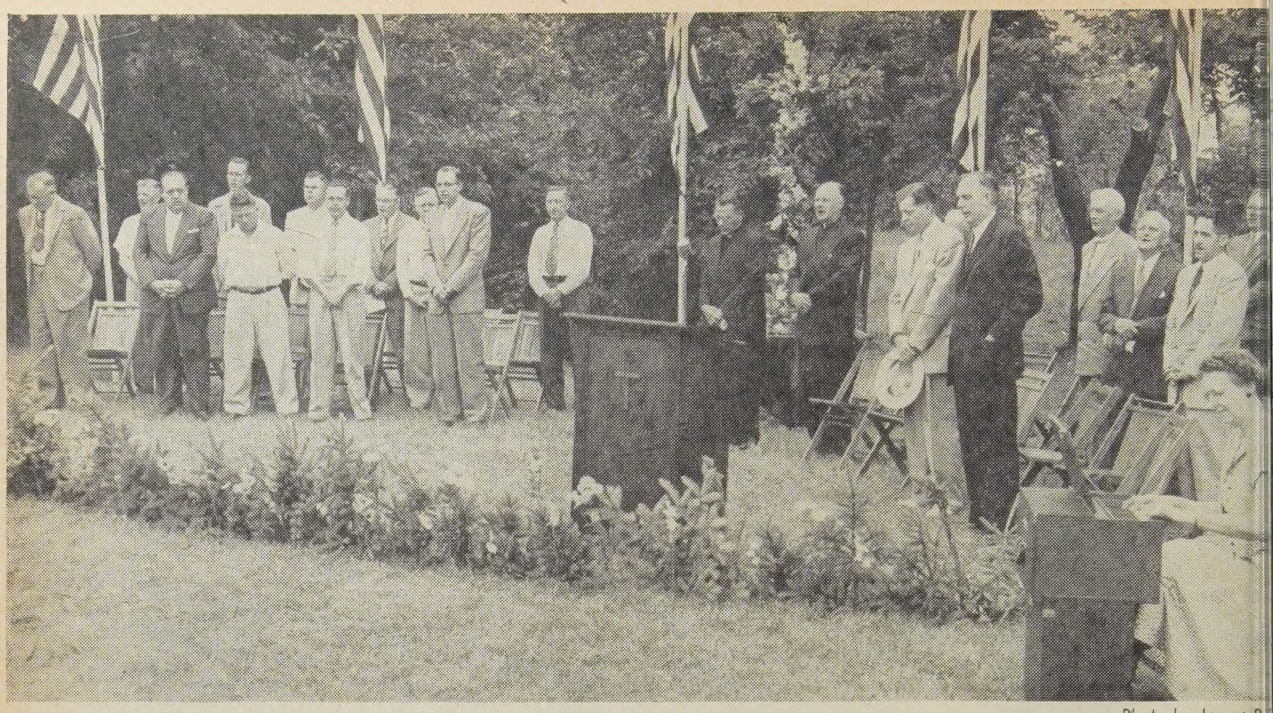
Wilfred Bockelman

tz, Baskerville, and Johnson! Those were the s of the three babies who were baptized in Luther orial Church, South St. Paul, Minnesota, on the ay morning I visited there.

ad spent five days in South St. Paul studying and ving the work of this congregation. Two things mpressed me about this church. It was a merger o congregations—one with a largely Norwegian round, the other with a strong German ancestry. other thing for which this congregation is noted outstanding work with laboring people. Both of elements were climaxed in that baptismal service. quite easy to see how the former, the merging of roups of different nationality backgrounds, was lified in the baptism of three children with such as Schultz, Baskerville, and Johnson. But how this baptism in any way be symbolic of a congre- outstanding for its work among laboring people? What does baptism have to do with labor, or labor unions? Let's go behind the scenes and see.

We begin with a man cutting off a pig's tail. That is surprising only to those people who do not live in the St. Paul area. South St. Paul is noted for its meat-packing houses. Of the approximately 18,000 people who live in South St. Paul about one third work in the packing houses. The packing houses were among the first in our modern industry that started the assembly-line system. For instance, the packing house in which I spent an entire afternoon has two assembly lines for slaughtering hogs.

Each line slaughters 500 hogs an hour. Standing along this line from the time the hog is first caught by its hind legs and strung up on an overhead track until it goes into the chilling room a clean carcass, are about one hundred men, each of whom has one operation to perform with the deft manipulation of a sharp knife.



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CONSECRATION OF NEW CHURCH SITE

The job of one man as the hog travels past him on the overhead track is to cut off the pig's tail. At 500 hogs an hour, eight hours a day, this man cuts off 4,000 hogs' tails in a day. During the rush season he works 10 hours a day or 5,000 hogs' tails. How would you like to work at a job like that? Week in, week out, twelve months of the year, year after year, cutting off 500 pigs' tails an hour. Yet someone has to cut off those pigs' tails if we are to keep the present-day standard of living which is dependent on assembly-line production.

Luther Memorial Church, and particularly one of its pastors, the Rev. Theodore Kurtz, has gained somewhat of a national reputation for doing effective work with laboring people. No one is more surprised at that though than the congregation itself. If you meet some of them and say, "I understand your church has gotten itself a name for being a labor church," you shouldn't be at all surprised to hear the reply: "Oh, is that right? I didn't know that."

As word has gotten around that this church has been successful in working with labor, various leaders from other churches have come to interview Pastor Kurtz and find out the secret of his success. Many of them are disappointed. They seemingly expect Pastor Kurtz to be a vociferous defender of labor unions, who issues public statements about the rights of the workingman. When they find out that he isn't even a member of a religion and labor committee they are often at a loss as to why they were told that this church was so outstanding in labor work. Pastor Kurtz says it usually takes them several days even to begin to see wha church is trying to do.

The reason it's so hard to see the specific program church is trying to accomplish to meet the needs laboring people is that it's nothing unusual at all. the whole thing amounts to, pure and simple, is pr ing the Gospel as it is understood by the Luth Church, understanding the people of the congrega and being a faithful pastor to them just as any p ought to be.

When Pastor Kurtz came to this congregation a 10 years ago he set about trying to understand its hi and its people. The congregation had been orga as the Saint Paulus Congregation in 1893 by a group of German immigrants employed in the n packing industry. From 1900 to 1910 the congreg grew rapidly as the *Auslandsdeutschen,* the Ger speaking people from Poland, Jugoslavia, Czech vakia, and South Russia, came. They had been l to St. Paul by the packers' promise of high wages. were used to living in small colonies, in which maintained their culture. Their interest in Saint Pa was more for old-world cultural reasons than fo ligious reasons. The story is told that, when the se generation insisted on having English services, it to pay rent to its elders for the privilege of using church.

Since these people came from poor sections they quite tractable and willing to be subservient and wa the church to be kept entirely separated from ever

As a result, a large number of younger people left church, convinced that Christianity had little rele- e to American industrial life. Pastor Kurtz set his on showing his people that the Christian Church its message does have relevance to our industrial ty.

e sensed that more was needed than a mere second- f the program of the United Packing House Work- f America of the CIO. The workers in his con- ation acknowledged that they were getting more s than they had ever gotten before, but they were ss. Pastor Kurtz tried to analyze this restlessness. ound out that such an analysis required a knowl- of theology and of the conditions under which men . It also required a tremendous amount of patience a great deal of tact. "There is no easy way to win for Christ," Pastor Kurtz says.

is the responsibility of the Church to tell man that all not live by bread alone, but also to tell him he needs besides bread. Workers know they can't without bread, but they have often been deceived believing that they can live by bread alone.

or Kurtz feels that the modern workingman has major problems. (These problems and their solu- are presented in detail in his book *Not By Bread e,* to be published by the Muhlenberg Press.) es Pastor Kurtz:

he feeling of insecurity is said to be characteristic odern man. This feeling of insecurity is probably acutely felt by industrial production workers than ny other group in our society. Actually, man's feel- of insecurity, and the discontent with life which ys accompanies it, were not born on the day when irst famine occurred; they were not born on the when the sweatshop was invented; they were not when the first wage cut or lay-off was ordered by mployer; they were not born when the first sword forged, or the first atom bomb exploded. Man's g of insecurity was born on the day when man,

Photo by Meyer

Pastors Rindahl and Kurtz

through his sin, separated himself from God, and to this day the degree of his feeling of insecurity is directly proportional to the distance of his separation from God."

The task of the Church in meeting this problem of the laboring man is to assure him of the forgiveness of sins. That's nothing new, is it? It is the necessary first step and of tremendous importance to help anyone overcome his feeling of insecurity. Practicing Christians have less insecurity even though they work at the same job for the same pay as non-Christians.

This is the obvious truth on which Karl Marx based his contention that religion is an opiate of the people. A Christian is not a likely candidate to become a revolutionary. The reason he is more content in life is not because his senses have been dulled by an opiate but because his wounded spirit has been soothed by the healing balm of the gospel. Says Pastor Kurtz in *Not By Bread Alone:*

"Many modern unions proved themselves perfectly capable of solving economic aspects of this problem with very little if any help from the churches, but unions will never solve the spiritual aspects of it with-

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Ample space for buildings and parking

out the Church; for it is only in the fellowship of believers that man can find real fellowship with God, and no man, be he pauper or millionaire, will find spiritual security so long as he lives in estrangement from God."

The second major problem of the worker on the assembly line is that in mass production his creative urge is often left ungratified. When man was created in the image of God he was also endowed with a certain desire to create. This creative urge is never lost. One either exercises it properly and finds satisfaction in so doing, or he lets it go unused, only to have it erupt in some anti-social behavior, often having it become perverted into a destructive urge.

It doesn't take much creativity to cut off the tail of a pig. In the old days the butcher butchered a whole hog, cut his own meat, concocted the recipe for his own sausage, and marketed his own product. He has been replaced by the packing-house worker who makes one cut on the carcass of a hog or dumps a load of previously mixed spices into a hopper or watches a machine stuff sausages.

There has been some recognition of this failure to gratify the creative urge of man, and efforts have been made to compensate for the monotony of an assembly-line job by interesting the workers in hobbies and recreation. Excellent and necessary as this is, Pastor Kurtz feels that it does not go far enough. Creativity merely for creativity's sake is not the answer to the problem, for to bring satisfaction, man's creativity, like God's, must be exercised in behalf of others.

The third need of the workingman is, therefore, the desire to serve creatively. Luther Memorial Church makes every effort to give men the opportunity to serve. Serving on the church council, teaching in the Sunday school, singing in the choir, serve the purpose of letting men and women fulfill one of the fundamental needs, the desire to serve. At Luther Memorial Church confirmation classes and groups in the organizations are taught that even the act of worship is a creative act through which others' spiritual needs are served as well as one's own.

The fourth need of the workingman is the desire for status. A person is not *just* a packing-house worker or *just* anybody else. A person needs to feel that he is somebody, and Pastor Kurtz makes the most of telling his members who they are. They are children of God, nothing less. Closely related to man's desire for status is his need for a sense of belonging. Though people today live in crowded cities, many of them feel forsaken and alone. Where the Church is made into a real fellowship of believers, this much-needed sense of belonging is supplied.

Having pointed out the four major needs of the ingman, Pastor Kurtz says that the average church no new gospel; it doesn't even need a radically program though it may have to redirect its pro somewhat. He feels that the Lutheran Church wi doctrines is excellently equipped to render an eff ministry to the laboring man.

In his adult instruction Pastor Kurtz entitles hi tures, "Christian Faith and Modern Living." Hi planation of the three articles is centered in the th "Security or Insecurity." What better way is ther a man to get a feeling of security than to know God has created him, that Christ has died for hi forgive his sins, that the Holy Spirit brings him in communion with this God? That thought is rel to a man who spends eight hours a day cuttin 4,000 pigs' tails.

The Sunday church service must be a vital exper to all worshipers, Pastor Kurtz feels. The service the sermons must make them convinced of the pre and the importance of Christ in their life. The ch must also adapt its organizational program so as of most service to its members.

Yes, Luther Memorial Church is meeting the nee the working people in South St. Paul. But somet has happened in South St. Paul that will really test for the church. There have been some changes n If you have read this article carefully you will rem ber that, when Pastor Kurtz first came here, the n of the church was Saint Paulus. Now it's called Lu Memorial. That new name is only about a year Here is the story.

About six blocks from Saint Paulus Church was T ity Lutheran Church, the church home of an ELC gregation, slightly smaller than Saint Paulus. Tri like Saint Paulus, was outgrowing its building. were considering a building program. To make a story short, after some time of brotherly negotiat the two congregations voted to merge and adopt name Luther Memorial Church.

In a group of this size it could hardly be expected there would be no opposition at all to such a m Perhaps the surprising thing is that the number left the church because of the merger of these two gregations was so very small. Until the new me congregation is able to build a new church, both of present churches, now known as Trinity and St. Pa chapels of Luther Memorial Church, will be utili

Although the two churches which merged into Lu Memorial were members of the American Luth Church and The Evangelical Lutheran Church, res tively, the new congregation is not a member of

d. It stipulates that its benevolent offerings shall ivided equally between the ALC and the ELC. e these two synodical bodies are planning a merger national scale, this congregation likes to think of as a "guinea pig," fully confident that people of LC and the ELC can get along together. Included ie merger agreement of the two congregations was lecision to become a member of the Church which be formed if the ELC and the ALC merge. The ion also includes the stipulation that, if by 1956 comes obvious that the ALC and ELC may not ge, then Luther Memorial Church will vote to ate with either the ALC or the ELC.

ier Memorial recently called a second pastor, the Opie Rindahl. Pastor Rindahl left a large ELC regation in Bismarck, North Dakota, to become istor at Luther Memorial.

was impressed upon both congregations before the ger that they should not look upon merger as a er of economy. Merging two congregations into and having one church building instead of two will reduce "overhead" expense. Both congregations ed that the only justification for merging was not ve money but to minster more effectively to the nunity.

hen you look at the financial program Luther Me- al has set for itself you will be convinced that the bers are thinking in terms of some real giving. A ully and attractively planned brochure was used in ngregational canvass. The emphasis was not placed etting members to pledge a specific amount in dol- and cents but rather to pledge a percentage of take- -pay. The threefold program states: (1) Give God's on first. (2) Separate God's portion at once. (3) regularly each week. The financial goal is to give 0 a week for 150 weeks or $300,000 over a three- period. Of this amount $187,500 is to be used for uilding fund. At the time of this writing 70 per of the members had made their pledge on the ntage basis, the average pledge being about six ent of take-home pay.

ther Memorial is also planning a well-organized gelism program. Once again, the congregation rstands evangelism as an opportunity to serve peo- reatively—to fulfill in the life of those won the mate desire for status, and to make the fellowship lievers more real.

e city is divided into ten zones with a captain for zone and is then subdivided into areas with area ins. At present 56 areas are set up. Each area has nd and wife teams serving as contact chairman, watcher, church-school promoter, organizations representative, talent scout, reporter, and hospitality chairman.

The organization of the ruling body of the congregation is composed of four nine-member boards—of deacons, trustees, education, and synodical activities. The pastors are an integral part of the board of deacons and have a vote.

The former Trinity Church was largely of a Scandinavian background while Saint Paulus was predominantly of German ancestry. A further difference was that, while a high percentage of the members of the former Saint Paulus Church were union members, many members of the former Trinity Church were white-collar workers. Will they get along together—especially since the members of the former Saint Paulus group are mostly members of labor unions, and one often expects that the white-collar workers are a bit apathetic to labor unions? I asked a number of them that question very pointedly. None of them had ever thought that they wouldn't get along together. They all took it for granted that it might take them some time to get acquainted with one another, but that they were there to do the work of the Lord and to help build the Kingdom, the kind of Kingdom in which all Christians live together in harmony.

When the Schultz and the Baskerville and the Johnson babies grow up they will probably never know that their church was a merger of two congregations with different nationality backgrounds. And, regardless of what their life's calling may be, they will feel at home in Luther Memorial Church where members of labor and management sit in the same pew, and where the Communion of Saints and the priesthood of believers become realities.

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Later information from Luther Memorial states that on August 19 the congregation, by a nearly unanimous vote, agreed to purchase property for its projected new church home. The site purchased is near a rapidly developing suburban area approximately eight blocks north and west of the present St. Paulus and Trinity chapels. Size of the property is about 46 city lots.

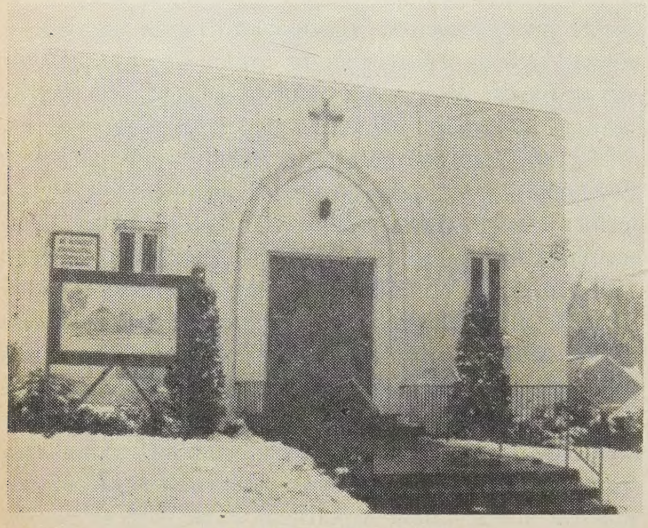
Plans call for a sanctuary seating upward of 700, offices, parish house and educational facilities, youth center, and residences for the co-pastors. There will be ample room for off-street parking and for a small park area.

Consecration services for the newly acquired property were held Sunday afternoon, August 22.

The Arithmetic of Faith

Herbert A. H

A HOME MISSION CHILD COMES OF AGE IN EIGHT YEARS



First Unit erected in 1947

Every fall during cider-making time in Pennsylvania, Johnny Appleseed would collect the pomace—the mashed-up stuff left over after the juice had been squeezed out of the apples. He washed out the seeds and let them dry. Then he put them in old coffee sacks and deerskin pouches, and started tramping westward. He gave them to farmers. Along rivers and in meadows he scattered the seeds. Some folks thought it was all pretty silly: to plant fruit for the unborn to enjoy. He never had any money, but he would answer, "Money? That for money! I've got a mission, that's what I've got. Only thing I want is to get these apples and herbs that's good for folks scattered all over the Middle West."

God smiled upon Johnny. The arithmetic of faith got into the process. Long after he was gone hundreds of boys and girls ate apples in the long evenings. They heard their elders tell tales of the happy songster who walked through Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Indiana with his pockets full of apple seeds.

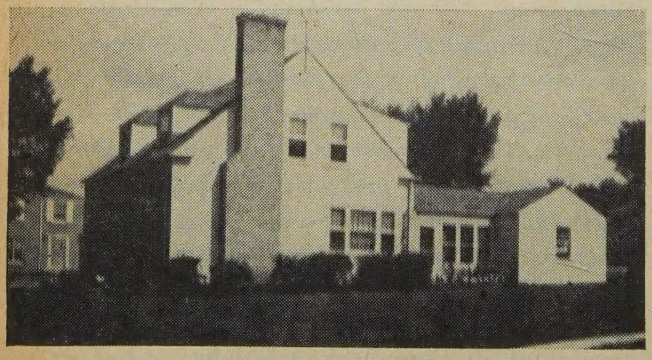
In the 1850's other men were planting seeds—see salvation. God had put His index finger on them i land of the midnight sun. These pioneer Home M pastors tramped over the hills and plains sowing seed of the Word of God. They wrote in discou ment and suffering the birth-story of our Church new world.

God smiled upon them. The arithmetic of faith into the process. From their humble beginnings come hundreds of the white steeples that dot our tryside.

These pioneer pastors came to settlements wher activity had gathered folks together. Pastors were and distances great. The hunger for the Bread of and the fellowship of the Communion of Saints them together. Often they were given a piece of They built a small church. When the first resident tor came he found not only a field but a deep, furrow ploughed by God's children. The Church been planted.

In our day the picture is totally different. The Ch must be delivered. The Home Mission Board, the trict presidents, and the district Home Mission mittees must take the initiative, for no longer is any plea from even unchurched communities, "C over to Macedonia and help us." The mother Ch must search out the fields and evaluate them. Often must buy land and a parsonage and build the first before a congregation is gathered. Often it is impos in the newer communities to rent quarters in w to begin the work. All of this takes direction, supervi vast outlays of money, and careful judgment. The acle of it all is that in the more than two hundred f which we have entered, not one has been vacated lack of response to the Gospel. Surely, God is more matching with fruit our sense of adventure in carr out His orders in the Great Commission.

Here is the story of a typical Home Mission congr



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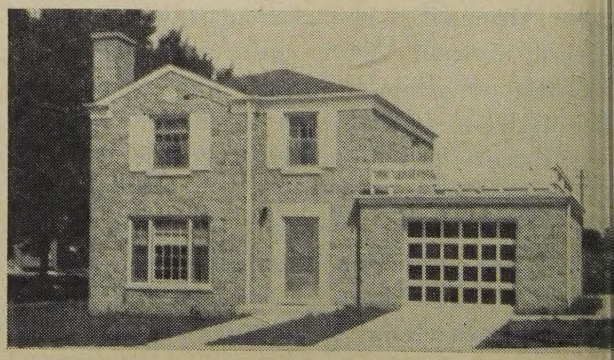


Parish House

It is but an outline—it can never tell the whole for every new congregation must go through the of birth. Every new mission is a divine invasion nemy sectors. It means battle with the devil. But, ark's Lutheran congregation of Mt. Prospect, Illi- s a testimony to the power of the Gospel. During ght years of its history it has come from its begin- o the completion of a large beautiful church. The es on these pages show the various stages in its h.

er the field had been assigned to our Church, poring pastors gathered together some families. rented the auditorium in Central School. The egation was organized in 1946 by the Rev. B. T. rson. While in the chaplaincy his family lived in ota, Wisconsin. Unable to find a house in Mt. ect, he commuted every week about a hundred for a period of three months.

the close of the year, about six months from the Pastor Anderson accepted the call, the congrega- aced up to its first big challenge. At the meeting uestion was asked, "If we do not request further nce from the Home Mission Department for next would that mean that another congregation might rted?"

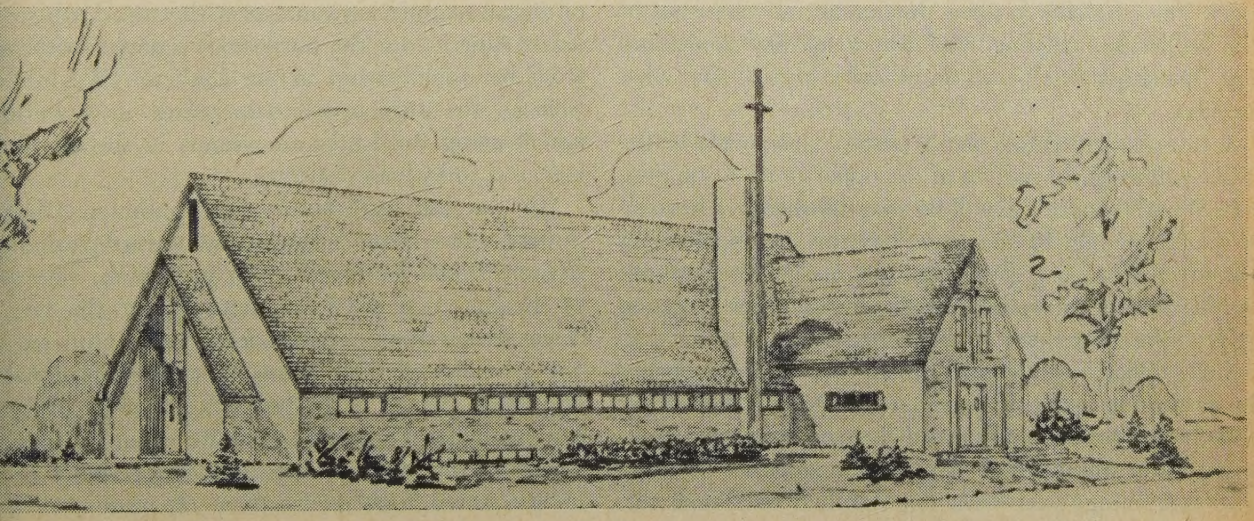
en the pastor answered, "In all probability, yes," ngregation voted to go forward in faith without urther aid. The congregation at this point in its y numbered fewer than eighty souls. All they re- from the mother church was a check for $1,000 lary, rent, and other operating expenses for the period. Since there were only about thirty fam- ne can get some insight into their sense of mis- nd responsibility.

he year 1947 a first-unit church building and parsonage were built with money from the Church Extension Fund. On this loan of $40,000 the congregation made its minimum payments. In 1952, with the rapid growth of the community and the corresponding growth of the congregation, it became evident that Sunday school facilities were inadequate. Under the leadership of the Rev. H. J. Rasmussen, the congregation built a parish house. This was completed in January, 1953. By this time the congregation had grown to 744 baptized souls of which 440 were confirmed members.

At the annual meeting in January, 1953, a building committee was authorized to proceed with plans for building the church in spite of a sizeable indebtedness. By the first of June the committee made its report. At once a committee started to gather funds. As a result of this drive, one-year pledges of $85,000 were secured. The congregation at once paid the mortgage to the Church Extension Fund. At the time of this appeal there were about 165 family units comprising the membership. The church will cost about $160,000 and will be dedicated this fall. At the end of the first six months more than half of the total amount pledged has been paid.

This is our finest hour for Home Mission work. There is no evidence anywhere that we will come to any period where there are no open fields. The terrific shifts of population into suburbs is an open door for the Gospel. Since 1940 almost half of the twenty-eight million national population increase has taken place in residential suburb areas. This is our new frontier.

"The world has forgotten in its preoccupation with the Left and Right that there is an Above and Below." That's how Franz Werfel puts it. Here is our high calling under God to shout from the housetops that there is a Heaven and a Hell.



HERE IS HOW THE NEW CHURCH WILL LOOK

All-Lutheran "Free Conference"

It is no doubt well known throughout the Church that the last convention of the American Lutheran Conference will be held at Our Saviour's (ELC) in Minneapolis, November 10. This federation of five Lutheran bodies (Augustana, American, Evangelical, Free, and United Evangelical) will at that time bring to a close an association formed in 1930 which has had a significant place in American Lutheranism. The reason for its dissolution is that it has finished its work. Four of the five member bodies are engaged in organic merger negotiations. There is actually no need to continue the Conference any longer. At their respective 1954 conventions, all five of the bodies agreed to the dissolution.

Announcement has been made that, immediately following the one-day convention of the Conference, an "All-Lutheran Free Conference" will assemble. It will be held at Central Lutheran on the two following days. The call for this meeting originated with the executive committee of the American Lutheran Conference, which has invited all Lutherans in America to participate. The subject for discussion will be "Our Common Ground and Our Common Task." Among those taking part the following have been announced: Dr. Alvin Rogness (ELC), Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz (ULCA), Dr. C. Umhau Wolf (ALC), and the Rev. J. H. Gockel (Mo. Syn.). Undoubtedly the thought is that there will be much free discussion.

While it is no doubt true, as advance releases say, that this will be "the first All-Lutheran 'Free Conference' in the history of American Lutheranism, there have been plenty of free conferences on a smaller scale. The "free conference" has been a device among Lutherans in America for generations by which Lutherans can get together and discuss matters on a purely unofficial footing. Many a later co-operative and union venture has first seen the light of day in such informal gatherings. The emphasis is upon the "unofficial" character of the gathering. Anyone who wants to may come and may participate. He can bind only himself by what he says.

It is to be hoped that many pastors and people of the ELC will avail themselves of the opportunity to be present. What, if anything, will be accomplished, we have no way of knowing. In one sense, it seems an unpropitious time to hold such a gathering. The merger preparations among four of the bodies overshadow all other Lutheran relationships for them at this time, and it is more than a little difficult to see that much will be accomplished in furthering other Lutheran relationships until those four bodies have consummated their own merger. However, Lutherans have always been anxious to sit down and talk things over with one another. We hope that such will be the case this time also.

EDIT

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Last week's editorial pages described and discussed merger action taken by the American Lutheran Ch at its convention in Beatrice. The information given confined to the four-way merger negotiations of w we are a part. In addition to action taken in this the ALC also adopted a number of statements regar relationships which are so significant that they o to be known to our people. This is particularly tru two items, which follow in full. We include then the editorial pages in order to make it possible to brief comment on them as we go along.

INTER-LUTHERAN RELATIONSHIPS

The Lutheran bodies of America have spoken so and so extensively concerning their relations with Lutheran bodies that any further statements may superfluous. The statement on this point made by ALC does not, it is true, add anything which has been covered before. However, in our opinion, needs to be said has never been said better than Beatrice convention said it. All of us might well the following paragraphs our own:

"The interest of the American Lutheran Churc her relationship to other Lutherans is demonstrate her present merger plans in which she is negotia with other Lutheran synods to enter into one corpo body with them. Her attitude toward other Luthe is also obvious from her whole-hearted participatio the National Lutheran Council; from her mainten of official negotiating contacts with other Lutheran ies in America for the purpose of a united witness; from her membership in the Lutheran World Fe tion for the purpose of co-operating on a world and keeping the Lutheran witness in the world B centered and Christ-exalting.

"In the last half-century the Lutheran Church America has come a long way toward realizing dream of total Lutheran unity and union. The me of the past forty years bear testimony to this fact. T have always been conscientiously consummated u the guidance of God upon a sound confessional b It should always be her serious endeavor never t lagging when God leads to unity or union, nor to ahead of His wise guidance. Therefore be it

"Resolved, *That we reaffirm the resolution ado at our 1950 convention that 'we recognize it as*

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will that there be unity in His Church, and that sponsibility begins with those who are of the Lu- household of faith (One is your Master, even and all ye are brethren. Matt. 23:8). Therefore, committed to the ultimate unity of all Lutherans erica and pledge our whole-hearted support to in that direction.

further authorize our General President to en- e efforts to establish official All-Lutheran Forums the opportunity arises, to initiate such efforts."

PERATION WITH OTHER PROTESTANTS

we enter upon a field where Lutherans have walked cautiously, not to say fearfully. The truth few Lutherans would be willing to say that they spoken the last word on relations with non-Lu- Christian communions. On the one hand we nionism, the blending of work and worship in way that our witness is stultified. On the other we fear an isolationism which (1) makes it im- le for us to witness to the truth we hold; and (2) es us of what we may receive from non-Lutheran ians.

varying attitudes of Lutherans toward the World il of Churches provide a case in point. Outside of ca there seems to be no problem; Lutherans in parts of the world, with exceptions so few as to be ible, belong to the WCC.

America the situation is different. The Synodical rence forms a solid block of non-membership. The elical Lutheran Church is the only other major ican group which remains outside the WCC, a n which it shares with a number of the smaller . Otherwise, American Lutherans have found lace in the World Council of Churches and show position to withdraw.

this difficult realm, the ALC moves with a state- which seems to us more satisfactory than most. It particular interest to us, of course, inasmuch as r between the ALC and ELC now seems assured. vith the complete statement:

e American Lutheran Church, firmly grounded d's Word and upon the historic symbols of the ran Church, nourishes her God-given life and up- her confessional position by untiring study of the and faithful devotion to the truth she holds and the Lord she serves, At the same time she practices vigilance against diluting influences from without. She considers it as her first obligation to be 'strong in the Lord and in the power of His might' so that she may always be His worthy witness.

"However, the American Lutheran Church realizes that she is not alone in the world. She finds herself living side by side with other Christian communions. This obligates her to find the God-given way to live together with them in the light of her historic character by which she refrains from the practice of church fellowship at the price of compromise.

"The denial of church fellowship to any other Christian communion does not stem from a condemnatory spirit in her toward other Churches who witness for Christ in a lost world. The American Lutheran Church is motivated in her attitude by faithfulness to the truths and convictions she holds. She acknowledges the existence of the universal Christian Church *(Una Sancta)* according to which she believes that true Christians are found in every denomination which does not deny so much of the divine truth revealed in Holy Scriptures that children of God can not be born in it. She believes in the *Una Sancta* and subscribes to the three ancient ecumenical creeds which are held by most Christian bodies including the Roman Catholic Church. In recognition of this common ground our Church does not close avenues of approach to these bodies, but welcomes opportunity to present her position to their people and to hear their claims. The American Lutheran Church does not look upon other Christian denominations as hunting grounds for members to truly save them, but lives with them in the same community in due respect for them and their Christian mission.

"The question of relations between Christians and between Christian Churches is not a matter of personal choice; it is a matter of grave spiritual responsibility. The reasons which impel us to seek ever closer ties with other Christian Churches, both Lutheran and non-Lutheran, are reasons which stem directly from the life and work of Jesus Christ Himself, reasons which are inherent in the Gospel.

"At the same time there are powerful forces, social and spiritual, which challenge the fundamentals of Christian faith and the very right of the Church to exist. The great changes through which the world is passing tend to unsettle and confuse the minds of our people and underscore the necessity for a united witness in the world. Christians, as well as Christian Churches, are drawn together wherever possible to make common cause against a common enemy.

"Major problems arise for the American Lutheran Church when she tries to determine what relationship she should have with non-Lutheran communions in co-operative organizations such as the World Council of

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Christmas Mail for Your Missionaries

Christmas mail for your missionaries must be mailed soon to reach them before Christmas. There is nothing as heart-warming for a missionary as a good pile of Christmas mail from friends at home. If you send cards, don't just sign your name, write a personal note; it means so much more.

Here is an approximate time schedule for mailing and the addresses of our missionaries on the field. Airmail postage to all of these countries is 25c per half ounce, except to Colombia which is 10c per half ounce and to France which is 15c per half ounce.

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We would recommend periodicals of various types for missionaries as very acceptable Christmas greetings.

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Hongkong	6 days	40 days	40 days
Japan	5 days	30 days	30 days
Colombia	4 days	15 days	25 days
Madagascar	10 days	40 days	60 days
So. Africa	7 days	35 days	40 days
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November 11-12, 1954—Central Lutheran Church Minneapolis, Minnesota

Thursday

9:00- 9:30 Opening Devotions and Statement—Dr. S. E. Engstrom (Aug.)
9:30-10:45 Bible Study on Theme—Dr. Alvin Rogness (ELC)
10:45-12:00 Seminars on the Bible Study. Dr. Rogness to outline areas of discussion for each seminar.
2:00- 3:00 "Our Common Ground"—Rev. J. H. Gockel (Mo.)
3:00- 5:00 Discussion of "Our Common Ground"
6:30 P.M. Banquet—Theme "Our Common Task—To Witness to America" Speaker—Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz (ULCA)

Friday

9:00-10:00 "Our Common Task—To Witness to the Community"—Dr. C. Umhau Wolf (ALC)
10:00-11:30 Discussion of theme—"Our Common Task"
11:30-12:15 Discussion of "findings" and future plans
12:15 Adjournment of Conference

If Thou Wilt Have Wisdo

Harold B. Ki

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINIT

November 7, 1954

Text: Matthew 16:1-4

The caloric content of a piece of apple pie is know most American women and a host of men as well. ideal and pleasant place to spend a night can be fo by millions of travelers in this land by simply follow the advice of Duncan Hines. Or if it is a road— want, consult the A.A.A.

From caloric contents, roads, and rooms, to the l "look" created by Dior; from the syringe injected a laboratory monkey to the power generated by atom, the mind of man has probed the veils of yeste and wisdom has gathered unto herself many child It is amazing what a giant man has become.

He scales the peaks of Everest; he sails the se Kon-Tiki. He thrills at the scent of a rose and r at the sound of a child in distress. He plunges into future on the magic carpet of imagination and co back again with a projection of what life will be lik 1999. He creates a monument at Rushmore by har ing his skills and artistry, and by applying kin skills to life he forms society, and lives with his fe men. Truly this man has become a giant—a giant p ically, socially, emotionally; a giant of imagina Why is it then that most of us are quite content t little? Why is it then that most of us are satisfie deal with the petty, the small, the insignificant thing life, and to content ourselves with an almost cons motion of marking time?

Why? Because like the Pharisees of old we k many strange and wonderful things, and have faile learn the first and primary lesson; namely that we created by God and intended by Him to be a g Many of us are walking about with wisdom gath from many years and yet have souls that are shriv and gaunt. It is because we have not begun to tap flow of spiritual truth that streams from Jesus C the Savior of the world.

If you would have wisdom, true wisdom, begin to hear the Spirit of the Lord speaking to your spir and through the Word of God. There you will l the true origin of life, the true purpose of life, the vitality of life, and the true destiny of life. You learn that life, if it shall ever be fully realized, mus realized in the person, the power, the presence, and promise of Jesus Christ, the Crucified One, the R One who said, "I am come that they might have and have it more abundantly."

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisd True wisdom begins and ends in Him, the One God and Jesus Christ whom He hath sent. Amen.

Meditations for the Family Altar

J. R. Hestenes

TOWARD THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Epistle: Romans 11:25-36

The Gospel: Matthew 18:15-22

Monday, November 8
ENCOURAGEMENT
Read Hebrews 13:1-9

nember your leaders, those who to you the word of God; consider ıtcome of their life, and imitate their

is is a good suggestion. From time ıe all of us are visited with doubts. trouble us and cause us to ask, "I er if there is any truth in these I believe?" Sometimes we need spencouragement in our faith. The to the Hebrews told his readers to ı look at those who were preaching em; notice, he said, what faith has to their lives; see how peace is writn their faces, and how they give of elves to something that is real and g.

ıen I was a boy I came upon this ne day in church. A doubt flashed gh my mind. I wondered if these s were true. Then I said to myself, ıy father believes these things, why dn't I?" And I thought of a num- other, older people whom I trusted, ny doubts disappeared.

thank Thee, Father, for Christian ss. Amen.

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Tuesday, November 9
SECOND PLACE?
Read Luke 9:57-62

Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home."

Even Jesus had to listen to excuses. It seems as though there were many who became enthusiastic about the Kingdom and wanted to "join up." But, they had other things they wanted to get out of the way before they took the big step. Jesus made it clear that if the Kingdom did not have first place in their lives it had no place at all. With Him it was a single thing that required full attention and interest: "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

The devil is very successful with the postponement idea. He will agree that getting into the Kingdom is a splendid thing to do; but he likes to have us believe there is no big hurry about it. There are ever so many things that you ought to do first, he argues. And as long as he is successful with this thought he wins his point and the Kingdom loses another soul.

Bring us to Thee now, O God. Amen.

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Wednesday, November 10
TROUBLESOME QUESTION
Read Proverbs 24:13-20

Fret not yourselves because of evildoers, and be not envious of the wicked; for the evil man has no future; the lamp of the wicked will be put out.

A question that has troubled righteous people for centuries is the so-called prosperity of the wicked. "How is it," we ask, "that the godless seem to be so happy, stay well, and are surrounded with luxuries, while so many Christians have to endure hardship and trouble, and seem to have the short end of things in this life?"

"Be not envious of the wicked," is one reply made by the Bible. While we are not told fully, we are reminded that Christians are not pets that God puts in pens to protect them from harm. Christians know of the loving, helping, saving God in Christ. The ungodly may have it good in a worldly sense for a season, but the season is short. Their laughter is soon turned into mourning. Their joy is but for a day.

Christians have God both in good and evil days. This truth they wish to share with everyone.

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Thursday, November 11
PATIENCE
Read James 5:7-11

patient therefore, brethren, until the ıg of the Lord. Behold, the farmer for the precious fruit of the earth, patient over it. . . .

tience has its place in the Christian s it does in other areas. Those to ı James wrote his Epistle must have wondering how long it would be the Lord would come again and them to Himself. The world in ı they lived was not pleasant; they surrounded by mockers. All about were evils that made them desire and more the perfection of the life me. "Be patient," James told them, Lord will come."

tience is a quality that pays high ends. God shows patience toward His en. The Church should show pa- toward its careless members. There ɔoint beyond which patience cannot is true, but the Church must not a hurry to withdraw its patience. it waits it can pray for what it ; whether it be for souls or for the ıg of the Lord.

ach us patience, O Jesus. Amen.

Friday, November 12
EXCITEMENT
Read Luke 10:17-22

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!"

These thirty-five teams of disciples that Jesus had sent out to preach and to heal in His Name had met with great success. Almost like children they came back, all out of breath, reporting what had taken place. And Jesus rejoiced with them.

The excitement was real and it was based on finding out at first hand what happens when men witness to Christ. Today, in many parts of our own Church, men and women are being invited to go out in teams to bring a witness of their faith to those who do not have the Church. Almost without fail these teams become excited at what happens. They find that people are thankful to have them come, and that in many cases the contact they have made is instrumental in getting the people started to attend worship. There is real excitement and joy in this. It is the joy of doing the Lord's work and witnessing to His Name.

Give us the joy of witnessing, O God. Amen.

Saturday, November 13
WHO'S WHO?
Read Zephaniah 3:14-20

"I will make you renowned and praised among all the people of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes," says the Lord.

Through His prophet, Zephaniah, God told His people that they would become known throughout all the world. As small as they were in numbers, and looked down upon as of no significance, they would be raised to importance.

In a world where we speak of Very Important Persons, or of "anybody who is anybody," it is important to remember that nobody can be anybody at all unless they have lost themselves in Christ. When we identify our whole life with Christ, by faith, we enter God's Who's Who of the redeemed.

What a high privilege it is to be among those who one day shall hear the Savior say, "Come, you blessed of the Father." In life these may have been nameless persons living down the street, or downtrodden outcasts of society. In God's Who's Who: that's where I want my name to be!

Here and There on the Christian Front

Edited by Raymond M.

CHRISTIANITY SEEN HAVING "NEW VITALITY"

Present day Christianity shows a "most revolutionary new vitality" in the immense growth of religious responsibility among laymen, Dr. Elton Trueblood told the biennial dinner of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship of the ULCA. "We are living in one of the great times of the Christian faith," he said. "We know that this is true in spite of all the darkness on the horizon. Ten thousand years from now our children's children may look back and may be thankful for the Christian advances made in this time of strain and danger.

"They will think of us as living in one of the creative periods and at a time much nearer to the beginning than to the end of the Christian movement, and they will be right. The Christian faith is still young. We are still in a period when it is flexible and growing and vital."

Hailing a "new reformation," Dr. Trueblood stressed three great words —vocation, commitment and stewardship—through which he said Christian witness is appearing in new ways. "What we have inaugurated in our time," he said, "is the employment of hitherto unexploited Christian resources. Since we have already reached a high level of achievement on the part of our clergy and professional theologians, it is only in a better use of lay men and women that a great change can come."

PLAN NEW FRENCH MISSION

A new kind of mission to the working classes will be started, as an experiment, in one sector of Paris, according to the Archbishop of Paris. The mission will combine the efforts of worker-priests, laymen of the Workers Catholic Action, and parish priests, and will be aimed at establishing and maintaining the unity of life and action among the three groups.

France's worker-priest movement was sharply curtailed in January, after the Vatican had disapproved of leftist activities among some of the worker-priests. They were limited to three hours of secular work daily, told to resign from labor unions, and to live henceforth in groups or attached to religious communities.

CATHOLIC MUSICIANS BACK THE ORGAN

A resolution of the Second International Congress on Catholic Church Music, meeting in Vienna, has declared the organ to be the only proper instrument for the accompaniment of the liturgy and rejected the use of electro-acoustical instruments for this purpose.

The Congress also said that it welcomed developments which have led to the recognition of modern music in the Church. Prof. Heinrich Lemacher of Cologne, Germany, said there was an obviously close relationship between modern church music and modern orchestral compositions but urged that "both branches retain their individuality." One speaker urged the Congress to 'give modern vocal music the right to live, too, in the Church."

THREAT OF CANCELLATION FOR CHURCH LEASES

An attempt to silence criticism of religious groups of the South African government's racial segregation policy was seen in the announcement by the Secretary for Native Affairs that leases of church sites in native urban locations would be cancelled if the churches "encourage deterioration in the relations" between Africans and the government.

Cancellation of the leases, which are granted on a yearly basis, would hinder the churches from carrying out their religious and missionary functions. A further governmental road-block to church activity lies in the new requirement that no non-African clergymen may reside on the site without prior Ministry approval.

A prominent Anglican priest, the Rev. Trevor Huddleston, took strong issue with the pronouncement, declaring, "This is clearly directed at those who criticize the government. It is an attempt to silence the voice of Church by holding over it the t of closing down its work in locati

100TH YEAR

RNS

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, minist Marble Collegiate Church in New greets Mrs. Vincent Subenshi and members of the congregation on arrival by "horse and buggy" for se marking the church's 100th anniversary women were among members of the en's Guild of the congregation wh tended dressed in fashions of 100 year The congregation was founded in 16 the Reformed Protestant Dutch Chur Peter Minuit, Director General of the Netherlands, thus making it the oldest estant organization with a continuous istry in the U.S.

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS

Only 16 new students enrolled thi at the two theological faculties in way. Nine of them are studying a Free Theological Faculty and seve the Theological Faculty of the Un sity of Oslo. Enrollment of new dents has decreased during the four years, corresponding to som tent to a general decrease in the ber of students at the university. decline is attributed to two fac first that the birthrate for the 1933-37 was very low in Norway, second that many well paid jobs offered to young people without versity education.

At present the Church may be to have a surplus of pastors, and low number of new theological

therefore has caused no great
, but the dean of the Free Facul-
rof. John Nome, has expressed
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an interest in theological studies.

CONSOLIDATION OF
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, or other groups.
another action the ALC took
to assume direct charge of ten
egations in Negro communities
r states, which for the past four
have been under the supervision
National Lutheran Council. The

METHODIST FAMILY OF THE YEAR

RNS Photo

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Barker of Boaz, Ala., and their 10 children were named the "Methodist Family of the Year" at the Methodist Church's National Conference on Family Life. They are shown as they appeared on a "This Is Your Life" TV program before delegates to the conference. Mr. Barker, a retired rural mail carrier, and his family were selected in a national contest conducted by the Christian Advocate, official Methodist news-weekly.

congregations are being made the responsibility of the Ohio District of the ALC.

PRODUCING ATHEISTIC MATERIALS

The Kiev Radio, reporting on the Soviet anti-religious propaganda drive in the Kiev Province, told of a special film studio which has been built in the Ukraine to produce "scientific-atheistic" material. The studio, according to the report, will turn out films, slides, illustrations, and phonograph recordings.

The Kiev station also reported that a 42-member editorial board had been established to prepare, edit, and publish anti-religious pamphlets. A large team of linguists has been assembled to translate the pamphlets into many languages for distribution in satellite countries. The station indicated the extent of the current campaign in Russia by announcing that more than 800 "scientific-atheistic" lectures had been given in the last two months to workers of the Kiev Province alone.

THANKS FROM PAKISTAN

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Mohammed Ali, wife of Pakistan's Prime Minister, is welcomed by Dr. Roy G. Ross, secretary of the National Council of Churches (right), and Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield, ve director of Church World Service, on a visit she made to the Council's heads in New York. Begum Ali expressed gratitude on behalf of her nation for ce given to Pakistan through CWS, relief agency of the National Council, in the f medical supplies, food and clothing.

WORTHY OF NOTE . . .

Protestant ministers in Washington, D.C. played an active part in efforts to prevent racial violence from breaking out in the wake of student "strikes" staged at several high schools to protest admission of Negro students. . . . Vatican Radio has begun broadcasting its news bulletins, missionary reports, and general comments in Swedish, Norwegian and Danish. These transmissions bring to 28 the number of foreign languages used by the Vatican station in its broadcasts. . . . The new czar of the comic book industry has pledged that he will "expose" any publisher who defies his orders and prints a comic book without his seal of approval.

Editorial

(Continued from page 1003)

Churches and the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA. Her present membership in the World Council of Churches allows her to explore the extent to which she may co-operate in this area without jeopardizing her distinctive Lutheran confessional position.

"With reference to the National Council, the American Lutheran Church declared in her 1952 convention:

"WHEREAS, *Membership in the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA does not necessarily follow membership in the World Council of Churches, because the area covered in each respectively is different; and*

"WHEREAS, *Membership in the National Council of Churches would involve a drastic change in the deep-going polity in large areas of our Church life; and*

"WHEREAS, *Promoting membership in the National Council of Churches would increase the hindrances in present merger negotiations; therefore be it*

"RESOLVED, *That at this moment we do not propose membership in the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA.*"

The reasons for the Church's decision have not changed. While there is no organic connection between national, state, and local councils, national patterns and mutual help are everywhere employed in the establishment of councils on the local level. As a result, even without our membership, constant pressures are exerted on our pastors and congregations to join in church fellowship, joint work among the men, women, youth, and Sunday schools. In some areas invitations have come for joint worship and joint communion.

"We therefore reiterate the Church's 1952 resolution, according to which the question of affiliation with the National Council should rest at this time. To keep abreast of every opportunity in co-operative ventures through which we might better serve the cause of Christ, a sub-committee of the Committee on Union and Fellowship shall be appointed by the Committee on Union and Fellowship, which will include a professor of each of our seminaries, to be assigned the duty to receive, study, and analyze the releases of the National Council and its departments and make periodic reports of its findings to the Committee on Union and Fellowship and through it to the Church's Executive Committee."

All-Lutheran Food Appeal

Concrete evidence that food gathered in the All-L an Food Appeal reaches worthwhile destinations vided by the accompanying picture. Pictured is a L pastor transporting a 100-pound bag of flour bicycle. The flour is part of a shipment sent las by Lutherans of Teton and Liberty Counties, Mo during the Appeal. The wheat was milled by the tana Flour Mills Company of Great Falls and wa to Korea by Lutheran World Relief. The pictur taken in the Taegu area.

Evidence of continued interest among Luther America in this year's Appeal continues to accum The Rev. Ove R. Nielsen, director of the Appea notified us that the approximately 200 Lutheran fa of Whitman County, Washington, have already tributed two carloads of wheat. One of these orig at Lacrosse, Wash. ELC pastor there is the Rev mond Larson. This wheat will be milled in Seatt will be sent to Hong Kong in the form of whole flour.

Some confusion has been caused by an erroneo nouncement made by one of the other relief ag implying that it can do more in the field of relie service than can the All-Lutheran Food Appeal. tor Nielsen informs us that these statements are on incorrect information. The truth of the ma that our own Lutheran program is in a position minister gifts of grain, etc., very efficiently. He a to those of our faith to support as heavily as p the All-Lutheran Food Appeal. Gifts of beans wheat, and corn are especially needed. Informatio be had by addressing *All-Lutheran Food Appea* West Lake Street, Minneapolis 8, Minn.

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ONS

. **Louisa Martinson,** mother-in-f the Rev. O. L. Olsrud, Beach, ak., died Oct. 6. Burial took place lispell, Mont., where her late hus- John Martinsen, was laid to rest 25.

e **Rev. Joseph E. Lee** has moved Harmony, Minn., to Madison, where he lives at 1810 Axel Ave.

e **Rev. Knut Monson** is at present g as interim pastor at Harmony,

e **Rev. O. R. A. Tollefson,** who time ago terminated his ministry k Mound, Wis., because of im- health, is now living at Moses Wash. Mail will reach him at ove address, in care of the Conk-inic.

e **Rev. William E. Baker,** is the ssociate pastor of the Emanuel h, North Hollywood, Calif.

C. P. Rasmussen and the Rev. ll L. Hinderlie were among the men speaking at the second area gelism Mission conference held 17 and Oct. 24 in Tacoma and e, Washington.

e **Rev. Eugene J. Aal,** Campbell, is back in his parish after under-surgery at a Minneapolis hospital.

e **Rev. Edwin E. Ostroot,** former-Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, is now in at Trinity Hospital, Minot, N. after 15 months of clinical train-r the chaplaincy. In May he was ed the Master of Sacred Theol-legree by the Andover-Newton ogical School, Boston, Mass.

H. Olson, superintendent of the d'Alene Homes, Coeur d'Alene, has been named Lutheran Refu-ervice secretary in Idaho.

Rev. M. J. K. Fuhr, formerly ntendent of the L. C. Foss Sun-ome, Seattle, Wash., was installed 28 as assistant pastor of Phinney Church in Seattle.

Rev. Norman Salte of Admiral, has accepted a call to Fairy Glen,

Rev. Maynard Moen, until late-nilitary chaplain, has accepted a Concordia, Kansas.

Rev. Jordan Jacobsen of Ark-Wis., will be installed Dec. 5 in w pastorate at Norway, Iowa.

Rev. Donald Hetzler, formerly cordia, Kansas, will be installed V. T. Jordahl, president of the Central District as pastor for the Foundation of Lutheran Students at the University of Iowa, Iowa City, on Sunday evening, Dec. 5.

Dr. C. S. Thorpe is serving as interim pastor in the Sacred Heart parish in western Minnesota.

DISTRICTS

Eastern

Brooklyn, N. Y. Oct. 17 was Appreciation Sunday in Trinity Church. Guest preacher in the English section was Dr. George Aus of St. Paul, Minn., and in the Norwegian section Bishop Eivind Berggrav. Special services were held during the following week by two pastors from Norway: Kjell-Petter Dahl and Bernhard Eide.

Brooklyn, N. Y. Zion Church will celebrate its 46th anniversary Oct. 31 and at the same time give a farewell reception in honor of its pastor, the Rev. Frank M. Salveson, who has accepted a call to Our Saviour's Church in Stanley, Wis.

Highland, Wis. Rural Otter Creek Church, parish of the Rev. Henry A. Lease, celebrated its centenary Sept. 18-19, the Rev. F. I. Schmidt, Eastern district president preaching the festival sermon. Other speakers during the festivities were three former pastors of the parish: H. J. Stolee, J. J. Jacobson, J. N. Lunde, and H. L. Anderson.

Wilson, Wis. Wilson Church, parish of the Rev. Morris N. Peterson, celebrated its 65th anniversary on Sept. 19. Speakers were: Dr. Theo. Huggenvik and the Rev. N. J. Holm. A new organ was dedicated by the Rev. Carsten Smeby, president of Hudson Circuit.

Chetek, Wis. Chetek Church, parish of the Rev. W. R. Huseby, had its new parish house and church building dedicated Sept. 26 by Dr. Fredrik A. Schiotz, president of the ELC. The preceding Sunday Dr. E. Clifford Nelson preached at a "Dedication to Christian Education" service. The parish has issued an illustrated dedication booklet.

Southern Minnesota

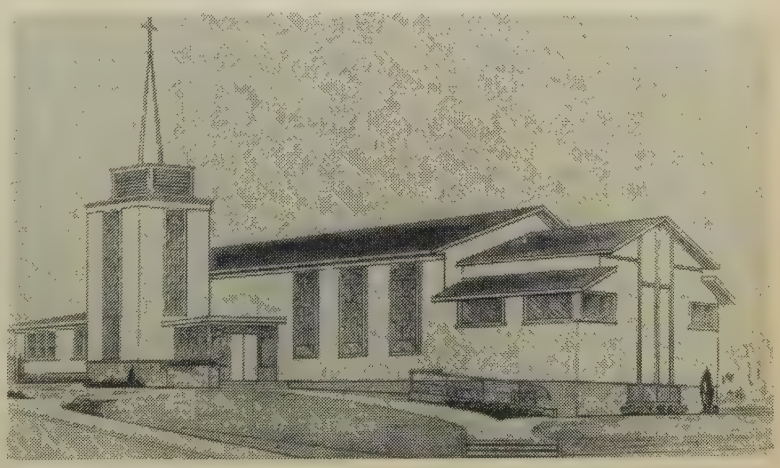
Minneapolis, Minn. Lutheran churches of the Riverside area of this city, including ELC parishes will sponsor a joint Reformation Rally Nov. 7 at Ebenezer Church. The speaker will be Dr. P. O. Bersell, president emeritus of the Augustana Church.

Minneapolis, Minn. Since 1954 is the fiftieth year of University Church of Hope, the congregation has initiated a $175,000 drive for the purpose of erecting a parish center. As a climax to its golden anniversary celebrations, the church presented a drama, "The Family Portrait," Oct. 22 and 24, under the direction of Mrs. Esther Olson, Minnesota University speech instructor. The drama was a character portrayal of the various members of Christ's family.

Edina, Minn. Miss Adeline Groven, a Concordia College graduate, is serving as parish worker in the Shepherd of the Hills Church in this Minneapolis suburb. Pastor of this church is the Rev. J. L. Ranum.

Hendricks, Minn. On Sept. 12 the South Lake Hendricks Mission Society celebrated its 70th anniversary. Speakers were: the Rev. P. L. Mork, former pastor of the Hendricks parish, and Pastors Peder Lerseth and M. A. Erickson, present pastors in the Hendricks

PACIFIC COAST PARISH DEDICATES NEW CHURCH



First Lutheran Church of Astoria, Oregon, parish of the Rev. H. Storaasli, had its new $125,000 church plant dedicated Sept. 26 by District President Foss. This church, the third oldest in the Pacific District, dates back to 1876, when the Rev. Emil Christensen first arrived on the Pacific Coast. The congregation was incorporated in 1884.

area. The membership of the society is made up of members of three local Lutheran congregations.

South Central

Ames, Iowa. St. Andrew's Church, a new Home Mission church in this city, celebrates its house of worship dedication Sunday afternoon, Oct. 24, by District President Jordahl. The sermon was preached by Dr. P. S. Dybvig, director of Home Missions. The Rev. Gordon Smedsrud is the parish pastor.

Rolfe, Iowa. The Ladies Aid of St. Paul's Church, parish of the Rev. Alton Christensen, has decided to begin the beginning of 1955 the support of two native workers in foreign mission fields. As the congregation belongs to both ELC and UELC, one worker will be supported through each Church. At the same meeting the ladies decided that the means for support of the missionaries, as well as other Aid projects, will be by monthly pledges.

Decorah, Iowa. The annual Home Mission Conference of the National Lutheran Council's Division of American Missions met Oct. 27-28 at Washington Prairie Church. The general theme was: "Christ for Town and Country," with special emphasis on the place of the rural church in Home Missions activity. Guest speaker at the Rural Church Rally in the evening of the first day was Dr. A. E. Hanson, president of the Northern Minnesota District of the ELC. Director of the conference was the Rev. E. W. Mueller, executive secretary for the Rural Church Program of the National Lutheran Council.

Fertile, Iowa. Fertile Church, parish of the Rev. Orville Sanderson, celebrated its 80th anniversary Oct. 10. Guest speaker was the Rev. H. E. Okland, who served the Fertile parish from 1930-44. At the anniversary service the congregation inaugurated a drive to raise funds for improvement of the church building.

South Dakota

Rapid City, S. Dak. Trinity Church, parish of the Rev. Sylvan R. Moe, has purchased a $30,000 parsonage, soon to be dedicated. The congregation has as its new parish secretary Miss Bonnie Skepstad, a graduate of St. Olaf College.

Rosholt, S. Dak. The sixtieth anniversary of Bethania Church, parish of the Rev. A. H. G. Gjevre, was celebrated Sunday, Oct. 10. Guest preacher at the forenoon service was Dr. J. L. Knutson, president of Concordia College, Moorhead, Minn. At the afternoon service, dedicated to the Women's Missionary Federation, the Rev. Walter Wang of Wheaton, Minn., spoke. In the evening a confirmands' reunion was held, addressed by the Rev. T. C. Hanson of Breckenridge, Minn. At the forenoon service a set of altar, pulpit, and lectern paraments, given in memory of the late Martin Thompson, was consecrated.

Mission Hill, S. Dak. The Vangen-Gayville parish served by the Rev. S. M. Kvinge, observed its 90th anniversary Oct. 10, an early forenoon ice and an evening service being in the Gayville church, and a forenoon service in the Vangen c in Mission Hill. The afternoon was held in the old Vangen c where the sermon was preach District President Pierson. Othe val speakers were: the Rev. Young (a son of the Gayville ch and the Rev. A. L. Abraham Augustana Academy.

NORTH DAKOTA CHURCH HAS NEW PARISH HOUSE

Pictured herewith is the new parish house of St. Olaf Church, Devils Lake, N. Dak., of the Rev. E. Leland Rude. It was dedicated last summer. The new building adjo parish church.

PARISH ORGANIST HONORED

In the accompanying picture in the center is A. T. Olson, for 43 years organist of the Riverside Church at Dawson, Minn., as he is being presented an inscribed wrist watch, in token of the congregation's appreciation, by D. E. Pederson (left), president of the congregation. Watching is the parish pastor, the Rev. K. J. Helgesen. Mr. Olson is now retiring from active service.

Cody, Wyoming. Dar Roa, youth evangelist, recently held a of meetings in Trinity Church, of the Rev. Ray Mathsen. The ings ended with a well attended ily Pocket Testament dinner.

North Dakota

Stanton, N. Dak. The Englis theran Union Church, parish Rev. Raymond L. Brien, has by imous vote of the congregation s mission festival offering of $350, ELC Military Chaplaincy Comm with the suggestion that it be u set up a chaplain's library projec director of the commission, Col. ther Storaasli, has deposited the a with the ELC treasurer, to the of the commission, the purpose Chaplain's Library Project being time to time to purchase and t to ELC chaplains on active du lected books of a religious nature

Hannaford, N. Dak. Almost 3 istered participants attended th convention of the Cooperstown WMF held here Oct. 11. Speaker Pastors E. L. Bersagel and K. L lie. A pin was presented Mrs. Broten, past president of the federation.

CHICAGO HOME RESCUE MISSION FALL RALLY

e fall rally of the Chicago Luther-Iome Rescue Mission was held 3, at the close of two weeks of gelistic meetings held by the Rev. R. Blegen, director of the Hope e World broadcast. Presiding at all rally was the Rev. J. O. Val-n, president of the board of the on.

ORDINATION

nford O. Stenson was ordained 8 at First English Lutheran ch, Alexandria, Minn., on a call e Trinity parish, Lyle, Minn. Or-or was Dr. George Aus. The or-d was born April 7, 1927, at ndria, Minn., and was graduated Central High School there in After serving in the U.S. Navy ntered Concordia College, Moor-Minn., graduating in 1949. The ving year he attended the Luther-ible Institute, Eastern Extension. 950 he was admitted to Luther logical Seminary, St. Paul, Minn., received there the Bachelor of logy degree in 1953. After a year's dance at the Biblical Seminary in York he was awarded the Master acred Theology degree in May, In 1952 he married Doris I. Gun-n of Staten Island, N. Y.

UARIES

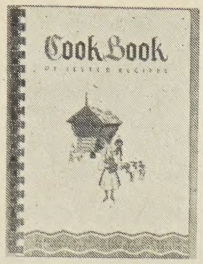
Christian Solum

ristian Solum, member of Bethes-hurch, Racine, Wis., died Oct. 9, years of age. Funeral services held in the Bethesda Church Oct. e Rev. T. C. Hanson officiating. Sept. 7, 1865, at Sandsvær, Nor-Mr. Solum came to Merrill, Wis., 87. He conducted a shoe business errill for a number of years, mov-to Racine in 1914. In Merrill he long in founding Our Saviour's ch, and upon moving to Racine ined Bethesda Church. His wife, Hannah Stenbeck, died in 1943. survived by a son and a daugh-Nora Solum, of the St. Olaf Col-faculty), two grandchildren, one grandchild, two brothers, and a

Mrs. Haakon Peterson

s. Anna Isberg Peterson, whose usband, Haakon Peterson, was a r at Augsburg Publishing House, Sept. 22 at Tucson, Arizona, in 0th year. Burial took place in eapolis, the Rev. Alf Kraabel of-

COOK BOOK OF TESTED RECIPES



If you've ever eaten your fill at one of those table-laden Norwegian suppers, you'll know what to expect from the experienced cooks that have compiled this COOK BOOK OF TESTED RECIPES. The ladies of the Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church in Minneapolis have contributed the best and most practical recipes, both American and Norwegian. There's good home cooking here! $1.75

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ficiating. She was born in Oslo, Norway, April 7, 1865, and came at the age of two years to America. Her father, Lorenz Isberg, was a pioneer bookbinder in Decorah, Iowa. She is survived by five children.

S. H. Holstad

S. Henry Holstad, one of the most widely known and beloved Lutheran laymen in the Middle West, died in Minneapolis Oct. 13, 83 years of age. Funeral services were held Oct. 15 at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. Speakers were Dr. E. S. Hjortland and Dr. J. A. Aasgaard. Born Sept. 23, 1871, at Drøbak, Norway, Holstad came to Chicago with his parents in 1880. In 1902 he moved to Minneapolis, where he resided since. For a number of years he was engaged in the wholesale coffee business. Later he served as executive director of the Lutheran Welfare Society of Minnesota, and at the time of his death he was national Lutheran scout director, in conjunction with the Lutheran Brotherhood, of which organization he was extension vice president. In Chicago he was an active member of Bethlehem Church, later of Covenant Church. In Minneapolis he belonged to Bethlehem Church and later to Central. He held a number of important offices in the Church, both before and after the union of 1917. Thus he was a member of the Union Committee 1916-17, of the Board of Trustees, of the Board of Publication, and the Board of Pensions. In 1925 he served as manager of the Norwegian-American Centennial, and received the following year the Knight's Cross of the Order of St. Olav. For a number of years he was a trustee of St. Olaf College. His first wife, nee Minnie Anderson, died in 1905. He is survived by his second wife, nee Christine Kjorlaug, by six daughters and one son. One daughter, Grace, is a member of the St. Olaf College faculty. Mr. Holstad was an exceptionally lovable Christian, and will be greatly missed by a host of friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Eastern District YPLL will meet in fall convention Nov. 4-7 at Our Saviour's Church, Beloit, Wis. Speakers will be Pastors Carroll Hinderlie, C. W. Solberg, Maynard Midthun, E. W. Quam, and Vernon Faillettaz, Evangelist Dar Roa, and Dr. Sverre Norborg.

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